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NATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION CENTER

PRELIMINARY SITUATION REPORT NO 9

The following is the status of significant military installations in Cuba based on a preliminary analysis of aerial photography from [REDACTED] missions flown on [REDACTED]

1. SAN JULIAN AIRFIELD

Nine aircraft observed, including 5 completed BEAGLE (IL-28), 2 completed MASCOT (UIL-28), and 2 BEAGLE fuselages with tail sections attached but no wings. Cranes are in position about one aircraft. Work is being done on the engines of 3 aircraft. The cowlings are off the engine pods. Twenty-four BEAGLE crates are along the taxiway system and in the assembly area.

2. MENDOZA O ISABEL RUBIO, TRANSSHIPMENT POINT

No equipment, crates, or convoys were observed in the area.

3. HOLGUIN AREA, MILITARY CAMP

Vehicles and equipment observed include 9 canvas-covered SU-100 self-propelled guns, 31 canvas-covered tanks, 4 PT-76 tanks, 90 large tents, 35 medium tents, 66 small tents, 5 dry-gap bridging sections, one 6-gun occupied 57mm AAA position with associated FIRE CAN radar and range-height finder, one 9-gun twin-mount occupied 30mm AAA position, 8 AT-Ls, 6 prime movers, 12 sidecar motorcycles, 19 vans, 187 trucks, 15 GAZ-67B type vehicles, 7 personnel carriers, 3 tank trucks, 17 small trailers, 2 ZIS-2 57mm antitank guns, 10 mortars, 9 possible canvas-covered SNAPPERS, and numerous pieces of unidentified equipment and materiel. Considerable personnel activity observed.

4. HOLGUIN AIRFIELD

Eight aircraft observed, including 6 FAGOT and 2 Liaison. Nine BEAGLE fuselage crates noted. No evidence of uncrating of fuselage present. No apparent change in facilities since [REDACTED]

5. REMEDIOS IRBM SITE

The concrete segments have been removed from the trenches where segments had previously been emplaced, and all the trenches have been bulldozed over. The control buildings and rectangular building remain unchanged since [REDACTED]. Approximately 55 vehicles are in and around the motor pool. The number of tents is unchanged since [REDACTED]

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6. CAMILO CIENFUEGOS (SANTA CLARA) AIRFIELD

Total of 48 aircraft observed, as follows -- 29 FISHBED, 13 FAGOT/FRESCO, one HOUND, one HARE, 4 Liaison.

No apparent change in facilities since [REDACTED]

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7. CASILDA, MISSILE EQUIPMENT AREA

Coverage does not permit analysis of this area due to scattered clouds and obliquity.

8. LA ISABELA PORT

One freighter [REDACTED] remains in port. On deck are 3 vans, 4 trucks, one possible road grader, and 2 canvas-covered unidentified vehicles or pieces of equipment. One truck and one jeep-type vehicle are on the pier beside the ship. No unusual activity in the port area or on the roads leading from town was noted.

No apparent change in port facilities since [REDACTED]

25X1D

9. REMEDIOS AREA, MILITARY CAMP

One permanent building completed, and one permanent building under construction in tent area. Possible prefabricated roof trusses in place for third building. No other apparent change in tent area since [REDACTED]

25X1D

Vehicles/equipment observed include, 6 probable FROG missile transporters draped with canvas and 5 probable vans parked under tree canopies within double-fenced area. Approximately 25 other vehicles and 6 possible trailers also parked within double-fenced area. Considerable amount of unidentified equipment stockpiled within double-fenced area. Approximately 50 canvas-covered tracked armored vehicles and approximately 105 trucks and other unidentified vehicles parked in vehicle park. Approximately 4 unidentified vehicles parked adjacent to tent area. Considerable amount of possible construction materials stockpiled adjacent to tent area. Six unidentified vehicles or pieces of equipment parked under tree canopies near tent area. Approximately 0.5 nm south of the tent area in heavy woods unidentified construction activity consisting of 2 rectangular excavations at right angles but not connected is observed. Construction materiel is lying around site. Site does not appear to be directly connected to military camp by road.

10. ARTEMISA MILITARY CAMP

Approximately 80 vehicles noted. Obliquity precludes further interpretation.

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11. CASILDA PORT

25X1D

25X1D The freighter of the Leninskiy Komsomol class that was at dockside on [REDACTED] has left the dock. No freighters are now visible in the port or vicinity. Four canvas-covered missile erectors, 3 of them with launch stands, and 2 possible erectors are parked in the dock area. No missile transporters are observed. On 25X1D [REDACTED] 7 missile erectors and 4 missile transporters were visible in the port area. At least 15 cylindrical tanks remain on the pier. A POL-type fuel trailer is visible in the town of Casilda.

12. MARIEL NAVAL PORT

25X1D [REDACTED] has been loaded at Mariel City pier and appears ready to get underway. The deck cargo includes 5 transporters, 5 trucks, and 4 permanent-type crates or van bodies. Dockside there are 34 oxidizer trailers, 11 fuel trailers, 4 IRBM propellant trailers, 41 miscellaneous trucks, 4 prime movers, 6 mobile cranes, 3 truck and flatbed trailers and 5 smaller vehicles.

There are no ships at the La Boca docks. The 17 erectors remain. Other equipment includes 3 mobile cranes, one probable cherry picker, 11 smaller unidentified vehicles, and one truck.

There are 4 probable trawlers (75-100 feet) located at Punta Resia.

At the naval base are 8 Komar-class PGMG Boats, one PF, and 3 probable P-6 PT boats, the Cuba and 5 miscellaneous small vessels. A coastal freighter lies outside the harbor.

25X1D

13. The following installation was not covered by photography of [REDACTED]

SANTIAGO DE LAS VEGAS TANK PARK

14. Readout is not complete on the following:

MANICARAGUA STORAGE

SAN RICARDO STORAGE

BANES PORT

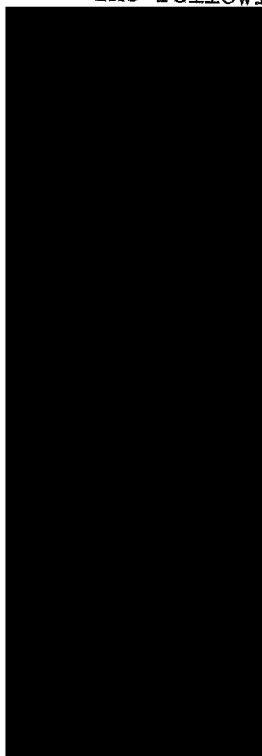
15. No caves have been noted so far.

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16. STATUS OF MISSION READOUT

The following is the status of the PI readout on missions flown on



% PI Completed

95
100
75
95
75
90
90
90
100
100

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